IN THE UNITED STATES, PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

O'BRIEN

Atty. Ref.:

540-320

Serial No.

(unassigned)

Group:

Filed:

January 17, 2002

Examiner:

For:

IMPROVEMENTS IN ATM DATA TRANSMISSION

SYSTEMS

January 17, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

As suggested by 37 C.F.R. 1.97, the undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the GB Search Report references listed on the attached form PTO-1449, a copy of each of which is enclosed. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no better prior art exists, or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.

Stanley C. Spooner

Reg. No. 27,393

SCS:kmm

1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor

Arlington, VA 22201-4714

Telephone: (703) 816-4000

Facsimile: (703) 816-4100